



PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q86324

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Appln. No.: 10/525,015

Group Art Unit: 1654

Confirmation No.: 5025

Examiner: Andrew D. Kosar

Filed: February 17, 2005

For: AN AGENT FOR INHIBITING ARTICULAR CARTILAGE EXTRACELLULAR
MATRIX DEGRADATION

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of one month, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of September 27, 2006 to January 27, 2007.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge the statutory fee of \$120.00 and all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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